

Governance Meeting Minutes

August 25, 2014

Attendance: Ann Marie Roder, Bob Zarriello, Sean Koster, Marcus Mianulli and Doug McGuire

Agenda:

Review the following policies:

Student Extra-Curricular Participation

Students' Free Speech Rights

Bring Your Own Device-BYOD

Student Bullying (model policy from MDE)

Notes:

1. Ann Marie, Sean, Mike and David attended the Charter School Law Conference on July 31st. Ann Marie attended a session on Student Free Speech Rights and it was suggested that each school adopt a policy around this. We have this policy from the policy packet we purchased from Booth and Lavorato. It is on the agenda tonight.
2. We purchased an Extra-Curricular Activities policy from Booth and Lavorato. Some minor changes were made to the wording. Additional considerations were discussed:
 - a. Each outside vendor would get a 1099
 - b. All monies owed for activities would come to Beacon Academy if the class were being taught by a teacher or staff person. Could we have them pay online?
 - c. Could the outside contractors supply us with a certificate of insurance?
 - d. The board should be aware and give approval on a consent agenda of what activities are happening in September of each year. Ann Marie will forward a list to Sean for the September board meeting.
 - e. Background checks done?
3. We reviewed Policy 106 Bring Your Own Device. The consensus from the group was that it was not worth the risk or ramifications to have email accessible on administration or board member personal cell phones. Ann Marie will let the board know that Governance did not recommend the policy to be implemented.
4. Cindy Lavorato sent the new model policy on Bullying from MDE. Since the wording is from MDE the recommendation is to adopt the policy the way it is and send the board the summary from the law conference on implementation of the policy.

Our next meeting is Monday, September 29th at 5:30pm.